

JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON
EMERGENCY SERVICES
AND
HOMELAND SECURITY



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The following is a consolidated report of state operations and fire activity in Santa Barbara County. Information in this report is gathered from state and county offices of emergency services. Some information may not be verified.

GENERAL REPORT:

Last night firefighters continued mopping up the east and southern portions of the fire line, while monitoring for hot spots. That will continue today, with an objective of making the fire "cold" 50 feet inside the control line. Crews will continue working to keep the fire north of structures and subdivisions. Crews will also continue direct line construction north to Condor Point.

EXTENT OF DAMAGE:

* Total Acres Burned to Date: 9,710 acres

* Structures Destroyed: 4* Structures threatened: 251* Fatalities and Injuries: 6 injuries

* Percent Contained: 55%

SUMMARY: The Gap Fire is burning four (4) miles west of Highway 154 on Camino Cielo Road, north of Isla Vista in Bartlett Canyon. The fire is being managed under unified command between the Los Padres National Forest and Santa Barbara County Fire. Burnout operations on the north side of the fire and west of the Winchester Gun Club helped to reinforce the line. As weather permits, burnout to the west along Camino Cielo Road will continue today. Air support is being utilized to minimize intense fire runs and to reinforce lines. A MANDATORY evacuation remains in effect for West Camino Cielo west of the Windemere Ranch to the actual fire area. All other area evacuations have been downgraded to evacuation warnings or lifted completely. For information regarding the status of evacuations, please **call 805-681-5195**.

FIRE ASSISTANCE:

- *The American Red Cross (ARC) has opened up a shelter at San Marcos High School located on the corner Turnpike Road and Hollister Avenue.
- *The Santa Barbara County Animal Services will operate an emergency animal shelter at the Red Cross evacuation center location. Individuals who stay at the evacuation center can bring their household pets (dogs, cats, etc.) to this animal shelter. For further information call 805-681-4332.
- *If you are not staying at the Red Cross evacuation center, you can bring your household pets to the Santa Barbara Humane Society at 5399 Overpass Road in Santa Barbara, CA. For further information call 805-964-4777.

ROAD CLOSURES:

All national forest lands south of Highway 154 and East Camino Cielo between Gibraltar Road and Refugio Road are closed to public entry. The area will remain closed until the Gap Fire is suppressed. The closure prohibits all public entry to national forest lands, trails, roads and recreation sites. The closure does not apply to private land. The closure does not affect Highway 154, East Camino Cielo Road, Gibraltar Road or Refugio Road.

RESOURCES:

RADIO: FM Stations- KCSB—91.9 KSPE—94.5 (Spanish) KSYV—96.7 KTYD—99.9 KSBL—101.7 KRAZ—105.9 KIST—107.7 (Spanish) San Marco Pass Radio 1040—AM, KTMS—990 KUHL—1410 KZSB—1290 KINF—1440 **TV:** Residents are advised to stay alert for additional information by listening to County Government cable TV station Channel 20.

- California Department of Emergency Services- www.oes.ca.gov
- CAL FIRE- www.fire.ca.gov
- Santa Barbara County Office of Emergency Services (805) 681-5195
 www.countyofsb.org/
- InciWeb-http://165.221.39.44/incident/1384/
- Los Padres NF Fire Information Center: (805) 961-5770 (7:00 a.m. 10:00 p.m)
- California State Warning Center: (916) 845-8911

GAP FIRE PERIMETER MAP

Courtesy of Santa Barbara County Fire Department

